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RECENT COLONIAL OFFICE
APPOINTMENTS.

Disatisfaction in the Service.

From time to time during the last year
or two questions have been asked in the
House of Commons about appointments to
Governorships and Secretaryships in
the Far Eastern Colonies, where, of
course, the greater part of these appoint-
ments are situated. That there is a cer-
tain amount of disatisfaction in the
Colonial Civil Service was apparent from
these questions. It is said that this feel-
ing is deeper than the public outside are
aware of; and a representative of the
"Morning Post" had a conversation (on
November 8) on the subject with Mr.
Gresham Stewart, the member for the
Wirral Division, who has devoted a good
deal of attention to the matter in Parlia-
ment. He held a leading position for
many years in the business community
of Hongkong, where he was a member
of the Legislative Council and knows
intimately the condition of the Service in
the Far East. That Service is recruited
from men—most of whom have gained
University and College distinction at Ox-
ford or Cambridge—through the Civil
Service examinations. They have been
encouraged to hope for—and have in the
past received—promotions to the highest
appointments—that is, to Governorships
and Colonial Secretaryships. But recently
there has been a marked change in this
policy.

COLONIAL OFFICE PATRONAGE.

"Our Colonial administration," said
Mr. Stewart, "affords a very wide field
for patronage owing to the great number
of appointments which do not fall within
the scope of competitive examination.
Lawyers, doctors, surveyors, engineers,
accountants and auditors, police officers,
and harbourmasters are men who of
necessity must be appointed without the
ordinary competitive examination. It is
therefore all the more essential that so
long as there is competitive examination
and a corps of officers recruited from such
a source there ought to be no misappre-
hension as to the possibility of promotion.
Recently, however, under Mr. Harcourt,
the position of affairs has been
seriously altered and the growing dis-
satisfaction in the Service has been in-
tensified by recent appointments to the
Colonial Secretaryships of Hongkong and
Ceylon. These posts are equivalent to
the permanent Secretaryships in the
Home Department. They are the ordi-
nary legitimate prizes for every member
who passes into the Colonial Service
through the competitive system."

THE NEW METHOD.

"The first important appointment
under the new regime was that of Major
Chapman, B.E., to be Governor of
Mauritius. He was a distinguished sol-
dier, but had had no practical adminis-
trative experience. In regard to this
case Mr. Harcourt stated in the House
of Commons that Colonial Governorships
were, quite outside the ordinary promo-
tion in the Service. This was the first
blow: The Colonial Secretary afterwards
somewhat modified the statement, but he
has never withdrawn it."

"In reference to the Ceylon Secretary-
ship, Mr. Harcourt stated in the House
that this post had not been filled by pro-
motion in the Colony for fifty years.
That may be so, but this is certainly
not the case in the other Far Eastern
Colonies. For instance, Mr. (now Sir)
J. H. Stewart Lockhart, a Hongkong
Cadet, was appointed Colonial Secretary
there in 1895; and was succeeded in 1902
by Mr. (now Sir) Frederick May, also a
Hongkong Cadet. Similarly, Mr. R. T.
Wilkinson, a Straits Cadet, was appoint-
ed by Mr. Harcourt himself only a few
months ago to be Colonial Secretary in
the Straits Colony. Recently, however,
the Secretaryship at Hongkong was given
to Mr. Bowen, who began his career in
the Eastern Colonies as private secretary
to the Governor of the Straits Settlements,

and subsequently held some junior
appointment in the Federated Malay
States. He had never entered the Ser-
vice by examination, and was promoted
over the heads of many men who had
entered the Service in the ordinary way
and have done long and efficient work."

"On the top of this, Mr. Harcourt has
appointed to be Colonial Secretary of
Ceylon Mr. Stubbs, who certainly passed
the Civil Service examination, but select-
ed the Home Service and was attached
to the Colonial Office. With no practical
administrative experience, he has been
put over the heads of many men who
have had over twenty years' service in
the Colony and who, in the opinion of
the Governors under whom they have
served, are eminently fitted for the ap-
pointment."

ARMY OFFICERS PREFERRED.

"Who become Colonial Governors?"

Mr. Stewart was asked.
"If you look at the list," he answered,
"it bristles with the names of military
officers. This gives one the impression
that the quickest way to become a Gov-
ernor is to join the Army and then make
yourself agreeable to the authorities at
Whitehall. I do not for a moment sug-
gest they are incompetent. All those I
have known have been admirable in every
respect, but that is not the point. If you
want able young men to make the
Colonial Service the career of a lifetime,
they should have a fair chance of the
plums of the Service, or else we might
as well revert to the old system of nomi-
nation and abolish competition altogether.
It is manifestly unfair to get in smart
young fellows and leave them to fester in
some isolated Colony until, if they
live long enough, they can draw a pen-
sion. They become dispirited when they
are continually passed over for promo-
tion. Curiously enough, naval officers do
not get these positions. Either they are
not favourites with the Colonial Office or
they prefer the Fleet. Sir Harry Raw-
son did, it is true, get an appointment in
Australia, but I do not at the moment
remember any other case."

DISSATISFACTION AND ALARM.

"It is useless for Mr. Harcourt to
deny, as he did in the House of Com-
mons, that there is any disatisfaction in
the Eastern Colonial Service. As a mat-
ter of fact, disatisfaction and alarm are
rampant, and it is only kept under by
that loyal feeling which has animated the
Service ever since its establishment."

"Do you think service by competitive
examination for the Colonies is worth
preserving in its present form?"

"Well, the Service is existing and
capable of excellent results if it is ad-
ministered on good lines and if the offi-
cers can look forward to promotion and
recognition. It would be deplorable to
go back merely to nomination, jobbery,
and favouritism. With a fair share of
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"During some of my engagements," she explained, "after going of the stage, my limbs have trembled and often given way under the long nervous strain on my strength. I'm too 'nervy'; that is my greatest worry," she added. "If one could only exist without nerves what a lot of anxiety would be avoided. My stage work and studies for new songs and dances take up most of the time I'm awake, so it is to be wondered at that my nerves have 'gone on strike' some times."

"I have always had a horror of not being able to appear, but had to rest some times, for headaches and nervous followings on these acute nervous attacks make it quite impossible for me to sing a note or dance a step. It's awfully harassing when one is too ill to work and yet too nervous and excited to rest."

The interviewer asked Miss Dornier for more details, when she continued:

"It all arose from overwork; the result was that I became very depressed and 'run down'; nervous weakness it was called. Of course I had physicians under advice, but was by no means satisfied with my general health. I used to go without food for many hours, and this didn't help to keep me strong, of course. I became so worried and nervous that insomnia robbed me of proper rest, and many days I have ached all over through exhaustion."

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EASTERN EXTENSION TELEGRAPH.

Increased Receipts—Optimism Concerning Wireless Competition.

The seventy-eighth half-yearly ordinary general meeting of the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company, Ltd., was held on November 12, Sir John Wolfe Barry (Chairman) presiding.

The General Manager and Secretary (Mr. F. E. Hosse) having read the notice convening the meeting and the auditor's report.

The Chairman said: Gentlemen—I think I may congratulate the shareholders on our being able to present a satisfactory report. The gross receipts for the half-year under review amounted, in round numbers, to £387,000, against £229,000 for the corresponding period of 1911, showing an increase of £158,000. This satisfactory result is due to a growth of commercial traffic all over the company's system, and it is gratifying to find that this growth has continued since the close of the half-year. Turning to expenditure, working and other ordinary expenses during the same period amounted, in round numbers, to £166,000, against £151,000 for the corresponding period of 1911, showing an increase of £15,000, of which nearly £12,000 is accounted for by the heavier cable repairs carried out during the past half-year than in the corresponding period of 1911, and to debiting revenue with the cost of relay and other improved apparatus. The remainder of the increase is due to increased staff, salaries and other incidental charges. The net profit for the half-year were, roundly, £182,000, and, after adding £23,000 brought forward from the previous half-year, there remained a balance available of £405,000. The usual quarterly interim dividends of 2s. 6d. per share, or at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, have been paid for the past half-year, and after making the usual provision out of revenue for the maintenance ships, insurance and depreciation funds, and adding £75,000 to the general reserve fund, the balance carried forward amounted to £336,000, or roundly, £56,000 more than for the same period of 1911.

EXPENDITURE ON FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.
In view of the increase in the volume of traffic between Europe and the company's system east of India and also in our local traffic, due to commercial activity, and the continuous policy of the company, to which I have frequently referred, of lowering our tariffs when we were able to do so without injustice to our shareholders, the directors have in contemplation the strengthening of our cable capacity in the Far East. The Eastern Extension Telegraph Company have also under consideration important cable improvements west of India. The two proposals will thus form a strengthening of the company's communication, but, of course, they will be expensive. Owing, however, to the existence of our reserve funds, and the growth of our traffic, we can contemplate the necessary expenditure, which will occupy some two years or more, without any interference with the stability of our Ordinary dividend and bonus. The vacancy on the directorate occasioned by the death of the Marquis of Tweeddale has been filled by the appointment of the Right Hon. Lord Inchcape, who has now a seat on our Board. I now move the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. Francis Augustus Bevan, seconded the motion.
Mr. Retallick: I would like to know if the stocks and shares in the reserve fund were taken in at the price of the day at the end of the last half-year—30th June, 1912. I would also like to call attention to the new wireless stations which are being put up in Canada and Australia, and to ask whether or not those stations will make any difference to the Eastern Extension Company in their receipts in the future, and whether the shareholders will suffer much by the new competition.

Mr. Reich: I congratulate you on the excellent report and balance sheet submitted to us. Are you and your excellent advisers sanguine as you have been on previous occasions with regard to the results of any possible competition in connection with the Marconi Company?

CHAIRMAN AND WIRELESS CONCERN.
The Chairman, in reply, said: On page 10 of the report the reserve fund investments are stated at cost prices. They, therefore, do not represent the price of the day, but cost prices. Some time ago it was agreed with the shareholders that the reserve fund should be made up of investments at cost prices in the way of a reserve fund to the value of £1,000,000. On page 14 of the accounts the reserve fund is shown at cost prices. The reserve fund is now £1,000,000. This is the way in which the reserve fund is held with the Corporation. £1,000,000 is the value of the reserve fund.

value of our reserve fund. Approximately, it may be taken as representing the depreciation. Referring to the question as to wireless telegraphy, I do not myself see any reason to alter what I have said before about this matter. The experience we have had of wireless telegraphy, which is making considerable strides in different directions, has been that it has done our traffic no harm whatever. How far this increased development of putting up Government stations will affect us in the way of competition, it is impossible for me to say. I do not think we need fear the competition. I think that, so long as the cables can give a rapid and a trustworthy mode of telegraphic communication, free from all tampering or tapping, with the certainty of a good service, the cable companies will always hold their own. In fact, as I think I said many years ago, if the order of invention had been reversed, and wireless telegraphy had come first and cable telegraphy had come second, I think the world at large would have said, "What an enormous improvement the cable as a method of transmitting messages is." As long as we can hold our own in giving the best service to the public, and as long as we are able to give that service at a very moderate amount of remuneration, I myself—and I think the directors share my view—do not fear the competition of wireless telegraphy.

The resolution was then carried unanimously, and a vote of thanks to the Chairman, directors and staff terminated the proceedings.—Financial Times.

EARTHBOUND.

I see men toiling upward to the starry heights,
And some who have attained, deep-scarred by many fights;
Those who have reached the crest
Sink down in well-earned rest,
Hard won through many dreary days and weary nights.

But scoring such fierce toil, I turn again
To earth,
And swift strange all longings to climb at their birth,
Those who have reached the skies—
Let them enjoy the prize
White I envious, and still my soul with raptures fill.

For it is my love for a woman that holds me;
The strength of a passion unloosed that enfolds me;
And she blindest my eyes
When they turn to the skies,
While for my brief longing to leave her, she scolds me.

Hongkong, Dec. 4.

C. F. M.

Messrs Alfred Holt and Co. have sold to Japanese buyers their steamer *Ulysses*, of 3,821 gross and 2,282 tons net register. She was built in 1892 by Messrs Scott and Co., of Greenock, and has dimensions of 354.8 ft. by 42.8 ft. by 36.7 ft. The price paid has not been disclosed.

The fourteen battalions of infantry, and the several companies of artillery which were disbanded under the Haldane scheme of "economy with efficiency," would come in very handy now, says the Military Correspondent of the London and China Express. That the Empire is without the shadow of war is undeniable, and that its land forces are despicably small is patent. Why is the 1st Battalion East Lancashire Regiment being hurried off to Gibraltar? Why is the 3rd Battalion Surrey sent off to the Mediterranean? The answer is to be found in the reductions which have been made in both our land and sea forces. The evasions of the Admiralty about the number of armored ships in the Mediterranean are unworthy subtleties, and would hardly deceive a child. If war breaks out Great Britain will have to call up every reservist, naval and military, every special reservist, and volunteer that she can get for her immediate wants. What are the reinforcements to come from?

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His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Commander.	Last report at.
Alacrity	despatch-boat	1700	12	2000	Comdr. C. L. Lamb	Yangtze River
Albatross	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	Master W. West	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. R. S. Prichard	Yangtze River
Bribonart	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Yangtze River
Cadmus	ship	1070	6	1400	Comdr. H. P. F. T. Williams	Shanghai
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	Master H. Smith	Hongkong
Clio	ship	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Canton
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	8700	Lieut.-Comdr. H. S. Monro	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4380	10	7000	Capt. C. F. Cluett, M.C.O.	Shanghai
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	270	6	4000	Lt.-Comdr. Brickenden	Hongkong
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lt.-Comdr. Boddam-Whetham	Hongkong
Janus	cruiser, 1st class	1000	14	22,000	Capt. A. T. Hunt, C.S.I.	Hongkong
Kinsla	river gunboat	614	4	1800	Lt.-Comdr. H. D. Murray	Yangtze
Merlin	ship	1040	—	—	Capt. F. C. C. Pao	Labuan
Minotaur	cruiser, 1st class	14,800	—	27,000	Capt. G. C. Cayley	Hongkong
Monmouth	cruiser, 1st class	9800	—	22,000	Capt. B. H. F. Bartolot	Weihaiwei
Moorehead	river gunboat	180	2	100	Lt.-Comdr. G. P. Leith	West River
Nightingale	river gunboat	180	2	240	Lieut.-Comdr. Malcolm Murray	Yangtze
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lt.-Comdr. E. T. B. Chambers	Hongkong
Ribble	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lt.-Comdr. E. T. B. Chambers	Shanghai
Rosario	depot ship, submarine	920	—	1400	Lt.-Comdr. N. E. Ambrose	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	63	2	940	Lt.-Com. Alan Dixon	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	63	2	240	Lt.-Com. L. A. S. Hutton	Yangtze
Snake	river gunboat	63	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Maurice B. Leslie	Hongkong
Tamar	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6500	Gunner W. H. Ryder	Hongkong
Teal	receiving ship	4850	4	—	Commodore R. H. Austruther, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Thistle	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Hon. G. Stopford	Shanghai
Uk	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	7800	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Yangtze River
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	8200	Lieut.-Com. E. D. Adair-Hall	Hongkong
Welland	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	7500	Comdr. Seymour	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	7500	Comdr. G. E. Hartford	Shanghai
Widgeon	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. J. C. F. Borrett	Upper Yangtze
Woodcock	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. M. Blackwood	Yangtze
Woodcock	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. Y. A. Mulock	Yangtze
C.56	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. O. Godfrey Herbert	Hongkong
C.57	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. A. A. L. Fenner	Hongkong
C.58	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. J. R. A. Copprington	Hongkong
C.59	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Handley	West River
C.60	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Stilesen	Hongkong
C.61	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Nicol	West River
C.62	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong

* Flagship of Admiral Alfred L. Winaloe, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G., Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	Last report at.
Kaiser Franz Joseph I	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	45	8000	Capt. H. Nauta	Shanghai
Dupleix	French armored cruiser	19,014	20	20,000	Capt. Verge	Shanghai
Kleber	French armored cruiser	9700	13	19,600	Capt. Gouts	Hongkong
Decade	French gunboat	445	10	1900	Lieut. Vandier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Jerville	Tongkin
Peiho	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tahong-Kin
Dondard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Dutaups	—
* Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.						
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Bolux	Saigon
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
* Styr	French armored gunboat	1798	10	1700	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
Froude	French destroyer	350	7	303	Capt. de Frigate Roussin	Hongkong
d'Iberville	French destroyer	—	—	—	Comdr. de Marquessar	Saigon
Pistolet	French destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessar	Saigon
Mousquet	French destroyer	307	6	300	Comdr. Voinin	Saigon
Manche	French surveying-ship	1825	10	9000	Comdr. Voinin	Saigon
* Flagship of Capt. (Commodore) Bonichant, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.						
Kunden	German cruiser	2800	22	13,500	Capt. v. Restorf	Tientsin
Guisenau	German armored cruiser	11,800	36	26,000	Captain Brumbyhaus	Tientsin
Illis	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. v. Guben	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. Vanselow	Tientsin
Leipzig	German gunboat	8250	24	11,000	Capt. Behncke	Tientsin
Luchs	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Bendemann	Tientsin
Nurnberg	German gunboat	2400	22	13,300	Capt. Nienberger	Tientsin
Oster	German river gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Frie	Yangtze River
Scharnhorst	German flagship	11,800	36	26,000	Capt. Rosing	Shanghai
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	400	8	6500	Capt. Lieut. Berenberg	Tientsin
Taku	German torpedo-boat	280	4	6000	Obit. a. S. Classen	Tientsin
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Ecker	Tientsin
Tungtung	German river gunboat	223	4	1200	Capt. J. A. Frih. Speth v. Schunberg	Canton
Vaterland	German river gunboat	223	4	600	Obit. a. S. Prinz	Shanghai
Galabria	Italian cruiser	3145	—	—	Comdr. Sommi Piccardi	Shanghai
Macao	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patris	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain L. A. de Magalhães Correa	Macao

UNITED STATES VESSELS ATTACHED TO ASIATIC STATION.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Commander.	Last report at.
U. S. submarines	—	—	—	—	—	—
A-2	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. M. Murray	Carls
A-4	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	Carls
A-6	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. C. Van de Carr	Carls
A-7	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Ensign C. M. Yates	Carls
Albatross	U. S. protected cruiser	2433	10	7500	Com. M. L. Bristol	Carls
Bainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	430	7	9000	Ensign H. A. Jones	Carls
Berry	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	430	7	8000	Lieut. R. H. Hill	Carls
Calico	U. S. gunboat	243	6	250	Lieut. W. L. Heiberg	Canton
Chadway	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	430	7	8000	Lieut. F. J. Fletcher	Canton
Cincinnati	U. S. protected cruiser	3133	11	10,000	Comdr. S. S. Robinson	Canton
Dale	U. S. gunboat	430	7	8000	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	Canton
Decatur	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	430	7	8000	Lieut. R. H. Green	Canton
El Cano	U. S. gunboat	620	4	600	Lt. Comdr. S. Gannon	Shanghai
Halifax	U. S. gunboat	1392	6	1398	Comdr. G. R. Marvell	Shanghai
Malabar	U. S. gunboat	3930	6	1100	Lieut. R. V. Lowe	Carls
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	4084	4	6271	Lt. E. P. Starr	Olongapo
Montezuma	U. S. monitor	243	6	—	Commodore J. V. Chase	Canton
Panama	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Lieut. E. H. Taylor	Canton
Piscataway	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Lieut. E. W. Wallace	Canton
Pompey	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Lieut. W. J. Wallace	Canton
Putnam	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Lieut. J. J. Bantigue	Canton
Ramapo	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Lt. Comdr. D. W. Warrington	Canton
Raritan	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Lt. G. C. Delaney	Canton
Rensselaer	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Comdr. B. A. Wiley	Canton
Rhode	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Lieut. E. D. Day	Canton
Rochester	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Comdr. J. V. Haddock	Canton
St. Albans	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Comdr. J. V. Haddock	Canton
St. Albans	U. S. gunboat	243	6	—	Comdr. J. V. Haddock	Canton

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or any other Company have a perfect right to refuse to accept Chinese coins if they find it convenient to do so; and therefore it is absurd to believe that they will long continue to show resentment that is very unlikely to benefit them. Perhaps a few of them are simple enough to believe that the Company will withdraw the Regulation. Such a wish can only be father to the thought, as a little consideration will clearly show.

Our chief point is that there is no "organized boycott," and that the reason why the cars are not being used as they were, say, three weeks ago, is simply because—together with the reasons already given above—that there are several young hooligans about, who, as the spirit moves them, annoy and occasionally threaten to assault Chinese using the cars. While this continues, the cars will, of course, present the appearance as though affected by an organized boycott. Clearly it is the police who ought to see that no passenger is molested or interfered with in any way; and for their guidance, we direct their attention specially to the Causeway Bay and Quarry Bay districts, as there, during the past few evenings, several coolies distributing the "China Mail" have been prevented from performing their duty. There are other districts too, doubtless, where a little more vigilance on the part of the police would have salutary effect.

It is little short of scandalous that the police can not apparently cope with a handful of young firebrands, who, if properly dealt with, would be taught not to attempt to take the law into their own hands. Such action on the part of the police would be the most effectual means of removing anxiety among the Chinese community who are only too willing, given normal conditions, to use the cars.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The death is announced of the Russian Vice-Consul in Tientsin, says the Peking Daily N. wa of the 27th ult.

M. Kouzminsky, the clever Russian aviator, who gave such successful exhibitions at Harbin, Tientsin and Peking, is apparently regretting his visit to Hongkong, as most of the people there would neither subscribe nor take tickets, preferring to see his dangerous exhibition for nothing.—Peking Daily News.

We learn that the staff of the Ellis Kadoc College has been strengthened recently by the arrival of Mr. Hamilton Maxwell, M.A., and Mr. J. P. Jones, B.Sc. There are now eight English teachers on the staff and the school is therefore in a most progressive position. The new building, giving larger accommodation, are now practically completed and will shortly be opened.

On Sunday and Monday, Dec. 8th and 9th, the annual Missionary services at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai, will be held. The Rev. E. Dewstone will preach on Sunday, in the morning at 10.15 and in the evening at 6 o'clock. On Monday, at 7.30, the annual meeting will be held, at which Mr. Dewstone will speak and over which Col. C. W. R. St. John will preside. An invitation to all interested in Missionary work is given.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr. Malbourne, two chair coolies were charged with obstruction near the Hongkong Hotel. Mr. Wodehouse, Deputy Supt. of Police, said the men followed a lady and gentleman along the street, shouting "Chair." The defendants gave the excuse that they thought the lady and gentleman needed to them to follow, and that was why they followed. They were fined 50 cents each.

Mr. W. J. Calhoun, United States Minister to Peking, paid a visit last week to the U. S. Court for China, sitting at Shanghai, says the N.C. Daily News.

In welcoming His Excellency, His Honor Judge, Rufus H. Thayer said that it gave the Court great pleasure to receive him. It so happened that His Excellency not only filled that place with entire satisfaction, especially to those who lived in China, but that he had been examined at Bar and on the Bench.

The District Attorney, (Dr. F. E. Hinkley), said that the Bar represented the pleasure on the part of the Court in the presence of so distinguished a member of the Bar and of the American Foreign Service.

A FOLLOWER OF INFLUENZA.

A batch of influenza is often followed by a persistent cough, which many people have been extremely annoyed and will not listen to the "cure" of the cough.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

A seizure of 800 ounces of cocaine was made to-day by Revenue Officers at Messrs Hall's godown at Kowloon.

Arrivals in the port to-day included the German gunboat Lueta from Shanghai and the Portuguese gunboat Macau from Canton.

The decomposed body of a child has been found near the saw mills in Canton Road, Kowloon. Death had apparently been due to small-pox.

The silk shipped on the steamer "Nippon Maru" arrived in the New York on the 1st Dec. 5 days and 7 hours after ship's arrival at San Francisco.

Eighteen boat people were fined an aggregate of \$113 by the Marine Magistrate, Commander Basil Taylor, this morning, for breaches of the harbor regulations.

A woman was removed to hospital yesterday suffering from the effects of immersion in the water, she had attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the harbour.

A Chinese, aged 23, was sent to hospital on Thursday suffering from injuries caused by having been accidentally knocked down by a sling of rice, which was being raised in the hold of a steamer.

Postal arrangements on the Tientsin-Pukou Railway being complete, it is notified that mails from Peking for Shanghai, the Lower Yangtze and Southern Ports will in future be despatched by this route.

Two men were charged before Mr. Basland to-day with using printing plant for the purpose of printing lottery tickets. The first defendant was fined \$30 or three months' and the second was fined \$50 or one month.

By special request and through the courtesy of Mr. W. Clarke, secretary of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., the departure of the s.s. "Hongshan" from Macao on Sunday next, 8th inst., has been extended to 6 p.m.

There is a scheme on foot, says the "P. D. Telegraph," for the erection of a large hotel in Peking, something like the Hotel des Wagonn Lits. It is stated that several well-known members of the Peking foreign community are interested in the scheme.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the Union Church to-day when Miss Henderson of Camptown, Scotland, was joined in the bonds of matrimony to Mr. Chapman of the Taikeo Dockyard. The bride was charmingly attired for the occasion. Mr. A. Smith acted as best man while Miss North was the bridesmaid.

News. The Cook and Son inform us that the through first-class rates to Europe via Siberia have been slightly reduced, and that the Russian village tax, recently charged to passengers by Nord Express, has been withdrawn, reducing the journey to London by approximately \$15.00.

The interesting announcement is made in our advertising columns that M. Kouzminsky will give an aviation exhibition at Macao on Sunday, 8th inst. The event is sure to attract a large number of excursionists from Hongkong as there are many in the Colony who have never had the opportunity of seeing a monoplane in the air. Coupled to this, flying over, or anywhere near Hongkong is strictly prohibited by the authorities and this very fact should lead us to the present occasion.

The Ministry of Communications has received a telegram from Mr. Tan Jeng-fong, Director-General of the Canton-Hankow Railway, recommending that Mr. Cheng Ming-shao be appointed Director of the section between Wuchang and Tschow; Mr. Chen Ya-lung, Director of the section between Yungchow and Mr. Jena Tien-yu, Director of the last section between Yungchow and Canton. It is reported that the Ministry has complied with the request and appointments have been made accordingly.—Peking Daily News.

The "American Exporter" for November among its personal notes the following:—Gladys Wiley Wells, of Mississippi, has been confirmed as United States Consul General at Shanghai. The latest mail advices from China announce the death of William H. Hendrick, Consul General, Shanghai. He died on September 7 at the General Hospital. Owen R. Denny, of Oregon, to be Consul at Tientsin. Julius Stahl, of New York, to be Consul at Osaka and Hogo.

The following details of the doctored "Chia Ho" (Glorious Fleet), recently bestowed upon several gentlemen are interesting. Of this decoration there are seven orders:—1. The first is reserved for Kings and Emperors. 2. The second order is for certain classes of the highest nobles and officials, leaving the other five available for general distribution. The grant of the decoration recently to Mr. Liang has raised an interesting point, which the British Minister has written a letter to Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of the Foreign Office, inquiring the propriety of that grant, that decoration has not yet been granted to Mr. Liang.

THE SHAMPOO MURDER CASE.

It was mentioned that Mr. Jenkins contended that as the murder was committed in Chinese territory and prisoners were foreigners, the Hongkong Court had no jurisdiction, and a sentence was postponed pending consideration of the argument on the point and was made before the Chief Justice and Police Judge.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Two policemen, L. S. Bond and Constable Moody, returned from leave yesterday.

After a brief furlough in the United States, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Swan have returned to their work in the Canton Hospital.

Mr. Paget American financial agent, who is responsible for the negotiation of the \$5,000,000 loan for Canton spent a few days in Peking recently.

During the absence of Sir E. H. Fraser, K.C.M.G., H.B.M.'s Consul General, Shanghai, who the other day left for Peking, Mr. H. Phillips will fulfil the duties of Consul General.

M. de Saint Pierre was expected to arrive in Peking during the early part of the month to take charge of the Peking Branch of the Banque de L'Indo-Chine, in succession to M. Cassin.

The Bishop of Victoria journeys to Canton to-night. To-morrow (Saturday) he is to dedicate the Chapel of the new Diocesan Training College near Canton. On Sunday he is to preach at the Shamone English Church for the Bible Society and to visit the C.M.S. Mission Church and School.

Rumour has it, says a New York contemporary, that Captain Beetham, commanding the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of India, will be the commander of the Empress of Russia, which will leave England early in the New Year for Hongkong to begin service in the trans-Pacific trade.

The Right Reverend Bishop D. Pozzoni returned to the Colony on Thursday from Rome after an absence of over six months. His Lordship, continues to enjoy excellent health. A volume of Te Deum was sung in the presence of a large congregation. Sir priests and several brothers arrived with his Lordship, three priests and the brothers being for the Salesian Congregation at Macao and three priests for the local mission.

The death occurred very suddenly yesterday afternoon at the age of 82 of Captain Harder, of the s.s. Leong Chow. Captain Harder was in his apartment at the Hongkong Hotel when he suddenly collapsed, and he died in the presence of his wife, before a doctor could reach him; his decease was due to heart failure. Captain Harder had been for many years in the China Navigation Company on their run from Shanghai to Newchwang and he came to Hongkong recently for his steamer, to undergo its annual overhaul at Taikeo Dock. Mrs. and Miss Harder, with whom much sympathy is felt, joined him only a day or two ago.

THE SHAMPOO MURDER CASE.

Vincente Sotto, editor of the "Philippine Republic," who was before Mr. Hazell a week ago in extradition proceedings for the alleged abduction of a girl in Manila, and who was remanded, again appeared this morning.

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, appeared for the defence.

Mr. Hazell said he had received an order from His Excellency the Governor to cancel the warrant and to discharge the defendant. What he (the Magistrate) proposed to do was to endorse on the warrant the fact that it was cancelled, although he had the original order.

STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED.

It will be remembered that on October 10th last a theft was committed at Stonehouse, 5 Robinson Road, Hongkong, the residence of the manager of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, when jewellery to the value of \$1,000 was stolen. The police, who did not relax their efforts in the case, have now been successful in recovering \$1,100 worth of the jewellery at a large dealer's shop in Queen's Road Central, where the stolen goods had been bought quite recently. One of the thieves was the N. Y. K. manager's own cook, and he is now undergoing a sentence of six months' and four hours' stocks.

THE SHAMPOO MURDER CASE.

Judgment on Monday.

It was mentioned that the reserved judgment on the point of law raised by Mr. F. Jenkins, counsel for the Japoy Abraham who convicted of the murder of a comrade in the Baluchistan Regiment, will be delivered on Monday.

It will be remembered that Mr. Jenkins contended that as the murder was committed in Chinese territory and prisoners were foreigners, the Hongkong Court had no jurisdiction, and a sentence was postponed pending consideration of the argument on the point and was made before the Chief Justice and Police Judge.

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TYphoon WARNING.

The following telegram was received to-day at the American Consulate General at 11.15 o'clock from the Manila Observatory:—

Cyclone or Typhoon N.E. of Luzon. Filling up.

REMOVAL OF OPIUM.

At the Magistracy to-day, James Baker, employed by Messrs. Palmer and Turner, again appeared before Mr. Malbourne on a charge of having removed three chests of raw opium without a permit on November 28th, and also with giving wrong particulars to a Revenue Officer.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. E. L. Denny, June, defended.

Mr. Denny said he objected that there was no evidence that the chests of opium were not in the office on the 28th when the application was filed up. The only evidence was that on dates subsequent to the dates he was charged with that opium was not found there. With regard to the second charge, he objected that Section 20 did not cover the facts that had been proved.

After some legal argument, Mr. Denny opened the case for the defence, and said that his client had signed several documents, and was only charged with giving false particulars in one. He signed this under the impression that it was a perfectly bona fide transaction. Some time ago, he received a letter from his son-in-law, a Chinese, and this gentleman told him that a person at Singapore was looking out for a manager for his business of importing opium at Singapore from Hongkong. He said he was to be the head of the business at Hongkong, and the defendant was to act as agent. The opium was removed, as far as he could see, in the same manner as when he bought it at Yau-mat and removed it to his office at 18, Bank Buildings. Until his arrest, the defendant had no notion that anything was wrong. He had been made a sort of figure-head.

Defendant was called and bore out his solicitor's statement.

The defendant was fined \$1,000. The money was paid.

ALLEGED WRONGFUL IMPRISONMENT.

Pending Action for Damages.

Inspector Kerr has been joined as third defendant in an action which one Ling Oi Ting is bringing in the Summary Court against Mr. H. D. W. Shullard, of the P. and O. Steam Navigation Company, and the P. and O. Company itself to recover \$1,000 as damages for alleged wrongful imprisonment.

The case was mentioned this morning before the Pui-sen Judge by Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown Solicitor, who asked whether the order for proceedings made by the Court applied to his client.

His Lordship said he ordered proceedings before the third defendant was joined. He did not know anything about the case but probably the third defendant was acting at the request of the others.

Mr. Master, of Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master, who is representing the other defendants, said this was not the case.

Mr. Hodgson agreed, and added that there was no case against the Inspector.

His Lordship suggested that it might be well for all three defendants to be represented by one solicitor, but Mr. Hodgson said he had been instructed to argue on a point of law.

The hearing of the case was fixed for Thursday next.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

PARADES AT HEADQUARTERS.

Monday 9th. All units Semaphore Signalling. Wednesday 11th. 10 p.m. Section Gun Drill, Machine Gun Sections. Infantry Drill. Friday 15th. Horitzer Section Gun Drill, Machine Gun Sections. Infantry Drill.

ENGINEER COMPANY.

Parade at Bolcher Fort on Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th, Thursday 12th, and Friday 13th, for first relief. Dinner will be provided in the fort, also launch to take members back to Kowloon. A good muster is requested.

THE SHAMPOO MURDER CASE.

THE FORGERY CLUB.

Another Adjournment.

Further evidence was taken this afternoon by Mr. Melbourne, at the Magistracy in the case in which a Chinese gentleman is charged by his brother with forging power of attorney and thereby defrauding him of certain moneys legated to him by his father. A further adjournment was ordered.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

CHARGEHOUSE C. C. v. CIVIL SERVICE. This league fixture will be played to-morrow on the Civil Service ground, commencing at 2 p.m. The following will represent the C.C.C.—H. H. Taylor, L. A. Rose, W. H. Vireaux, G. A. Hancock, J. Y. Bage, E. L. Dugg, R. A. Carvalho, R. Pearson, J. D. Moria, C. Johnstone, and R. Han.

Hongkong Cricket League.

The following is the table up to date:—

Club	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Chargemaster	5	2	1	0	12
Kowloon	2	2	0	0	6
Civil Service	2	2	0	0	6
Hongkong "B"	2	2	0	0	6
Star and Depot	4	0	2	2	3
R. S. Police	4	0	3	1	1
R. S. Police	3	0	3	1	1
Hongkong "A"	3	0	2	0	0

A win—3 points; A draw—1 point.

Football.

ROYAL ENGINEERS v. F.M.S. MOUNTAIN.

In this game at the Happy Valley yesterday, the Engineers were to struggle for the sailors, and secured a runaway victory. Scoring four goals in each half without response from the naval team they finished up easy winners by eight goals to nil. Despite the large score, the sailors had a fair share of the play but near goal forwards were very weak, only Christie and Freeman being at all dangerous. Their halves and backs were overplayed, with the exception of Carpenter who defended stubbornly throughout, pulling up the opposing forwards on numerous occasions. The team as a whole were below the standard of the Engineers, but this is probably explained by the report that it was the Minotaur's reserve eleven.

The forwards were the strongest department of the Engineers' team. Able by Pearson they had the sailors defence always on the move. Their combination was excellent. Lewis on the right was responsible for many fine runs and centres. Although Pearson scored only one goal his well-timed passes after he had drawn the defence led to several of the goals. Kelly was in a scoring mood, and many good efforts of his were negated by the sailors' custodian. Their halves and backs did all that was required. Brown and Ferrigan in the former line continually supplying their forwards with passes. In goal Morgan on a few occasions exhibited his side from a difficult position. Kelly (4) Lewis (2) Pearson and Richards (1 each) were the scorers for the winners.

TRAMA.

Royal Engineers; Morgan; Collier and Morris; Ferrigan, Brown and Palmer; Lewis, Richards, Pearson, Kelly and Pearce.

H. M. S. Minotaur; Costello; Bryant and Moorhouse; White, Carpenter; and Bennett; Christie; Thomas; Jennings, Hyde and Freeman.

HONGKONG CLUB v. H.M.S. MINOTAUR.

The Club added an easy 7-1 win to their record as the result of their game yesterday with an officers' team from the ship. Playing finely throughout they were always dangerous near goal. Pennell, Wilson and Raitton were in splendid form and were well backed up by the halves, of whom Long and Campbell were especially prominent. Scoring four goals in the first half, by Raitton and Pennell two each, one by the Naval team, by Beaton, the club finally ran out winners by 1 goal to 1, Raitton, Fisher and Pennell scoring in the second half.

WATER.

K.O.Y.L.L. (B) v. H.M.S. MINOTAUR.

This United Service League game was due to be played at the Happy Valley yesterday but had to be postponed owing to the Koyler failing to put in an appearance, owing, it was stated, to military duty. The Minotaur's league team were greatly disappointed in having to remain idle on the field while two weaker teams were doing duty in other matches.

DR. NISHIHA.

Last week we published, says the M.C. Daily News, the information that Dr. Nishiha had given notice to counsel in Hongkong of his intention to prosecute against the Full Court there in various actions, in which he had an interest, the documents by which he conveyed such information having been sent from Macao. It is added that he is understood to have been and to be the agent of the Court at Hongkong by registered post various documents of similar nature. It is said that he has been and to be the agent of the Court at Hongkong by registered post various documents of similar nature. It is said that he has been and to be the agent of the Court at Hongkong by registered post various documents of similar nature.

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THE WAR.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE ENTENTE.

The Allies Amicable.

LONDON, Dec. 5.

Reuter's correspondent at Rome telegraphs that two Greek gunboats bombarded Valona in Albania, the shells falling between the Italian and the Austrian Consulates. The Greeks withdrew on a protest from Ismail Kemal, President of the Provisional Albanian Government.

THE ALLIES FRIENDLY.

It is officially announced at Athens that the friendliest relations have not ceased to exist between the Allies, and confidence is expressed that the power-parity which have begun between the Allies regarding terms of peace will result in a common resolution to achieve the objects of the war.

GREECE'S ATTITUDE EXCITING ANNOYANCE.

A Sofia telegram says the attitude of Greece excites annoyance in official circles and arouses apprehensions of future difficulties among the Allies. It is understood in Sofia that Greece had not signed the Armistice because she desired to annex some islands in the Aegean Sea.

VIENNA OPINION.

Opinion in Vienna is that the Balkan League was practically exploded before the division of the booty, due chiefly to the Greco-Bulgarian rivalry for the possession of Salonika.

FRANCE RUSSIA AND GERMANY.

The London newspapers generally comment on the sensitiveness of the French and Russian press on the subject of Count Bethmann von Hollweg's speech. They affirm that Great Britain is as loyal as ever to the Entente.

UNIONISTS AND TARIFF REFORM.

THE QUESTION OF THE REFERENDUM.

LONDON, Dec. 5.
Lord Lansdowne, at a Unionist demonstration in London, replied to Mr. Asquith's criticisms and declared that the pledge of the Tariff Reform party of a referendum at the last election was conditional on a similar pledge being given with regard to Home Rule. The Unionists after careful consideration decided that that pledge cannot hold the field all the time. It would be unfair to use the referendum for Tariff Reform only.

STEAMERS AND WIRELESS.

CAPTAIN ARRESTED FOR VIOLATION OF ACT.

LONDON, Dec. 5.
Reuter's Boston correspondent telegraphs that Captain Hall of the steamer *Nordland* has been arrested for alleged violation of the Wireless Telegraphy Act on the ground that his vessel did not possess auxiliary equipment sufficient to transmit messages 100 miles.

MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

PAPKE BEATS BERNARD.

LONDON, Dec. 5.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris telegraphs that Papke beat Bernard in the eighth round for the middleweight championship of the world.

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CANADA'S MAGNIFICENT GIFT TO THE KING.

£7,000,000 FOR THE BRITISH NAVY.

LONDON, Dec. 6.

A telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa states that Mr. Borden, the Premier, has introduced a Bill for the purpose of increasing the effective strength of the Naval Forces of the Empire.

He proposes that Canada should give £7,000,000 sterling to King George for the purpose of building three Dreadnoughts to be built in Great Britain and placed at the disposal of the Admiralty for the common defence of the Empire.

The Premier emphasized as a great outstanding fact that compared with the present position of naval power, the British Navy and flag twelve years ago were predominant on every ocean in the world, while to-day they were predominant nowhere, except in the North Sea.

He considered that the situation was sufficiently grave for Canada to give the Mother Country immediate aid.

The Premier read a long memorandum from Mr. Churchill in which were made careful comparisons relative of the naval strength of Great Britain and Germany and also of other Powers. It was stated that Great Britain at present possessed 18 Dreadnought battleship cruisers against 19 of other Powers; while in 1915 the figures would be 35 against 51.

Mr. Churchill added that any action by Canada to increase the power and mobility of the Navy, "and thus widening the margin of our common safety, will be recognised everywhere as a most significant witness to the united strength of the British Empire, and evidence of a new resolve that the Dominions would take their part in maintaining its integrity."

CHINESE NEWS.

(Wah Tsz Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, Dec. 6.

China has decided to send a special Envoy to the United States in order to strengthen the relationship between the two Republics. Wu Ting Fang has accepted the appointment.

The Russian Government has appointed a special Envoy to negotiate with China on the Mongolian question. Orders have been given by President Yuan Shih Kai for a contingent of 1,000 troops to be stationed at Daini Nor.

TO THE RIVIERA IN 22 HOURS.

The winter services of trains do lux of the Sleeping Car and International Express Trains Company are to be very much extended. Amongst these trains, which are utilised principally by English travellers, the "Calais-Mediterranean Express" will be run daily. This train is composed of sleeping and restaurant cars only, and will run through from Calais to Marseilles, Toulon, Cannes, Nice, Monte Carlo, and Ventimiglia without a change. It will connect with the 11 a.m. train from Victoria, and will reach the Riviera in 22 hours from London. The "Simpson Express" will also run daily in connection with the same train from London, and without change of car from Calais to Lausanne, the Italian Lakes, Milan, Verona, Venice, and Trieste, where it will connect with the sailings of the Austrian Lloyd steamers to Egypt, Bombay, and Shanghai.

Judging by the pressure at Tientsin Settlement Station and on the Bund there is a wave of commercial prosperity in North China at present. Unusually large quantities of grain are coming in from outside the wall, and huge amounts of wool are being brought via Kien-han and Kalgan. — Peking and Tientsin Times.

Sitting in the Admiralty Division recently, Sir Samuel Evans, with the Trinity Masters, heard the action which arose out of a collision in Farnham Strait, China Sea, on April 22nd last, between the large steamship *Arcturion* and *Osborne*. At the time of the collision the *Arcturion*, which belongs to the East Asiatic Company, Limited, was on a voyage from Moji to Colombo with a cargo of coal, and the *Osborne*, which is owned by Messrs W. H. Cockburn and Co., was bound from Hongkong to Shanghai with a part general cargo. Both vessels sustained damage. The *Arcturion* at the time was 1,000 tons, and carried the officer with extensive experience, and the *Osborne* was a 1,000-ton vessel, and carried the officer with extensive experience. The collision occurred at 10 p.m. on April 22nd, and the *Arcturion* was damaged to the extent of £10,000, and the *Osborne* to the extent of £5,000. The collision was caused by the *Arcturion* not giving way to the *Osborne*, which was entitled to the right of way. The collision was a serious one, and the damage to both vessels was considerable. The collision was a serious one, and the damage to both vessels was considerable.

COMMERCIAL.

COTTON AND YARN.

Messrs Polakow and Kottwall, cotton and yarn brokers, in their Report of to-day's date state:—

Our last report was despatched per s.s. "Assaye" on the 31st ult. During the past fortnight the market has kept fairly steady. Important were inclined to advance their prices, owing to the firmer tone prevailing in Bombay, and in some instances succeeded in establishing an advance of \$1 to \$2. The total sales amount to about 9,800 bales, fully half of which consists of two or three special kinds of No. 10s. Deliveries in the interval have fallen off somewhat, but in view of meagre arrivals, stocks show further reductions, closing tone steady. Total Sales 9,800 bales. Unsold Stock 10,100 bales. Sold but not delivered in the interval and to arrive 14,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The mail str "Himalaya" and extra str. "Peria," "Lechia," and "Kamakura Maru" from Bombay, and str. "Kutang" from Calcutta have brought in 10,210 bales for Hongkong, and 7,296 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai, and Coast Ports, total, 5,000 bales.

Local Mill.—An advance of \$3 per bale all round has been established in this yarn, the sales of which amount to about 800 bales, consisting of 84, 10s, and 11s, at above quotations.

Shanghai.—This market is reported firm. Japanese Yarn.—Owing to high prices ruling in Japan and stocks here being very small the prices here advanced \$2 to \$4. Sales, 350 bales Seta No. 10 at \$13, 200 bales No. 20 at \$13.5 to \$13.8, 200 bales Yellow Chong No. 20 at \$15.

Raw Cotton.—Bengal.—No business has yet been effected in the new lots, holders asking fancy prices and meeting with no response. Stock 300 bales. Quotations \$25 to \$29.

Chinese.—Sold 475 (small) bales @ \$29 to \$32. Stock 300 bales. Quotations \$29 to \$33 per picul.

OBITUARY.

Captain H. F. McElligott.

The "N.C. Daily News" of 3rd inst. says: By the death of Captain H. F. McElligott the shipping community loses one of its oldest members, the deceased having long been associated with the maritime services of India and the Far East. After some time spent on the Indian coast, he came to China and has been some twenty years' service here. He was for some time one of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's chief officers, and later joined Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. He afterwards entered the Pilot service and latterly worked on his own account. On the occasion of the death of his father Captain McElligott returned to his home in Ireland and it was believed that he intended to retire, but after some time he came out again to Shanghai and had the intention of resuming work as a pilot. The deceased came of an old Irish family. One of his brothers holds an important position in the Land Commission, and another is a rising young barrister practising at Dublin.

EFFECT OF CHINESE REVOLUTION.

The Chinese revolution, of course, interfered with business generally, and it is not surprising to find that the industrial companies are unable to present so favourable a report as would otherwise have been the case. For instance, the British and Chinese Corporation intimates that the revolution prohibited the completion during the year of any further loan business with the Chinese Government, but the Corporation's representative has in hand various negotiations, and it is hoped that with the shipment of orders some of them may be successfully carried through. The profits for the year amount to £11,017, which with a balance brought in of £10,920, gives a total of £21,937. The dividend is 10 per cent, and a somewhat smaller balance is carried. The results of working have varied considerably during the past few years, but the dividend now paid is the same as that for the last three years. For some years practically nothing was paid to the Ordinary shareholders, but for 1907-8 there was a dividend of 15 per cent, and a bonus of 5 per cent. For the past year investments have had to be written down by £5,435, representing the depreciation shown at the close of the financial year on cost prices as against market prices at the date. — Westminster Gazette.

SIR C. CLEMENT SMITH.

A life-sized portrait of Sir Cecil Clement Smith, G.C.M.G., has been placed in the Hall of the Mercers' Company, Chesapeake. Sir Cecil is thus paid the same tribute as accorded to the fellow Mercers, the Earl of Salisbury, likewise for a brilliant Colonial record, say the "L. & C. Express." The artist, Mr. R. G. Evans, has depicted Sir Cecil in the robes of the Order, seated, which, his long turned three-quarters, and the likeness is exceptionally incisive and characteristic. Sir Cecil Clement Smith, after a notable career at St. Paul's School, and Corpus Christi, Cambridge, was elected one of the first resident interpreters for Hongkong. He remained here until the war, when he was transferred to the Admiralty. After the war he was given the post of Colonial Secretary and nine years later was appointed Governor. Sir Cecil is a great authority on matters connected with the Far East. His father was the Rev. Canon Smith, Master of Balliol College, Oxford, and his mother was a daughter of the Rev. Canon Smith, Master of Balliol College, Oxford.

NEWS FROM HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, Nov. 13.

INCREASE IN NAVAL PAY.
Before the end of this session the First Lord of the Admiralty will submit to Parliament proposals which the Government have sanctioned for improving the pay of officers and men of the Royal Navy. Lord Charles Beresford declares that an increase in the pay has become a matter of simple justice. Lord Charles is very keen on this subject and he makes out an overwhelming case in favour of the Navy. During the last fifty years, although the pay of some ranks and ratings has been raised, in some cases it has remained the same, and in others the increase is very small. The pay of the ordinary seamen is the same. The pay of the able seamen and the stoker has been raised by one penny a day. During this period the standard of proficiency has been considerably raised while the purchasing power of money has declined. Lord Charles makes the startling allegation that the pay of the officers, with a few exceptions, has remained unaltered since the time of Nelson, and he urges the abolition of half-pay for officers. He says it is unjust to put officers on half-pay because the Government does not at the moment require their services. An officer of the Royal Navy is precluded from earning money outside the service and his pay is not sufficient, to enable him to save money. The pay of lieutenants, commanders and captains is barely sufficient to defray necessary expenses, and in view of the responsibilities with which they are charged, it is totally inadequate. Midshipmen cannot even live on their pay.

ants, commanders and captains is hereby the Embassy, and meant to retire his place on his return from his Australasia.

THE VENUS DE MILO.

The old controversy concerning the attitude of the Venus de Milo, when intact, has come to a conclusion. "M. Jean Alcard, a French savant, has written evidence that when the statue was first discovered at Milo in 1820 it was intact. The left arm raised an apple in the air while the right clasped the girdle. This is the authentic attitude of the Venus, but for persons of state the facts have not previously been disclosed. It forms an interesting story. Two French officers made the discovery and proceeded to Constantinople where they urged M. Marcellus, the secretary to the French Embassy, to acquire the work for the French nation. M. Marcellus sent the *Estafette* which anchored off Milo to find that a Turkish brig had anticipated the French. The Turks had already shipped the lower part of the statue. The French sailors, determined to obtain possession, resorted to force and in the struggle the Venus lost its arms. The official version of the Conservator of the Louvre explains that the statue suffered rough handling by porters, but this diplomatic statement is now finally discredited.

ODD, EYE CASE.

"Do my two eyes look different to you—I mean does one eye appear to you to be different from the other?" asked a young society girl at a fashionable dance recently. "Wishing to be polite the youth answered 'No, certainly not.' This was not the reply that fashion and courtesy demanded, for the youth had not heard of the latest craze among the Smart Set—cultivation of odd eyes.

The odd eye has become a cult. One trick is to dye the odd eye so that it shall match one's costume. Drops of prepared matter are poured into it until the requisite colour is obtained. This may sound somewhat absurd, but it is being done, and various cosmetic firms in the West End are making a good business in solutions and distillations. Oculists denounce the craze as being extremely bad for the sight, but the fact remains it is the fashion and those who have adopted it deny that they find any ill-effects.

A generally admitted evil is the insufficiency of the arrangements for settling soldiers in civil life when their service is over, and this insecurity is responsible for the ruin of many who, while in the Army, have achieved excellent records.

An association has now been formed called the Soldiers' Land Settlement Association and it has the support of Lord Roberts, Lord Methuen, Earl Grey and other distinguished men. It is proposed to qualify them for agricultural work at home and abroad, and while they are still liable to be recalled to the colours will settle them on the home land. When their liability to serve ceases then they will be helped to go to the Colonies if they so desire. As a first step training farms will be established in England. The War Office cordially approves of the general principles and the Board of Agriculture may be expected to give hearty approval. In time the scheme should be self-supporting, but the experimental stage will have to be met by an appeal to the public.

Each year from 15,000 to 16,000 men are transferred to the reserve, while 6,000 others are discharged without pension after twenty years' service, but of them in the prime of life, splendid in physique and of fine mental quality. This mass of these discharged soldiers and it is difficult to settle its definite service and it is proved by the fact that of over 22,000 registered on the books of the official organization for finding employment for their kind only 10,000 were successful.

After all that has happened in regard to the Grey Loan the interesting announcement has been made that the House of Commons has granted £100,000 to the Government as a special contribution to the £500,000 Chinese Government loan.

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THE MALAY BATTLESHIP.

We congratulate the Federated Malay States on the public and patriotic spirit which has prompted them to contribute a battleship to the British Navy. These Far Eastern Colonies are small in population, but rich in natural resources, and are among the best governed and most enterprising of our overseas possessions. If other British Dominions are to contribute their quota to the Navy in anything like the same proportion the Fleet will be more formidable than ever, the Naval League contemplates. The example of the Malay States will not be without influence on other Colonies, whether self-governing or not, whose demands on the Navy are greater, as is also their ability to contribute towards the supremacy. — Daily Chronicle.

PROBABLE TYPES OF WARSHIP.

The opinion is expressed by an expert that the warship presented by the Federated Malay States will be of the type of the battleships, Australia and New Zealand. The New Zealand ship is being built by the Armstrong-Whitworth Company at the Clyde, and is expected to be completed in 1914. The Australian ship is being built by the Armstrong-Whitworth Company at the Clyde, and is expected to be completed in 1915. The Federated Malay States ship is being built by the Armstrong-Whitworth Company at the Clyde, and is expected to be completed in 1916.

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SARDINIA	7000	February 18	March 23
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RAMUS	7000	March 19	April 20
WALKIN	7000	April 2	May 14
STANZA	7000	April 16	May 28
NORE	7000	April 30	June 13
NILE	7000	May 14	June 27

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLES, as noted.

1st SALOON £55.0 SINGLE £82.10 RETURN.
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For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg
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S.S. ALTMARK 27th Dec.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg
S.S. SILESIA 14th Jan.	S.S. ALFIDA 24th Dec.
S.S. O.J.D. AHLERS 25th Jan.	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg
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Hongkong, December 6, 1912.

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Carrying Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points.

Steamer	Sailing
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CARGO carried on through Bills of Lading from Hongkong to Beira, Delagoa Bay, DURBAN (NATAL), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN with transshipment at COLOMBO to steamers of the Indian African Line

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FROM HONGKONG. FROM COLOMBO.

21st Dec. Connecting with s.s. Katanga 10th Jan

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

For SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, YOKOHAMA, KOREA, MANCHURIA, JAPAN, AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AFRICA, ANTWERP & HAMBURG.

For	Steamers	Tons	To SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, PRINCESS ALICE, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMP, TON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	Capt. L. Frank.	(20,300)	WEDNESDAY, 11th Dec., at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN, YOKOHAMA, KOREA & YOKOHAMA	Capt. L. Maass.	(17,000)	THURSDAY, 12th Dec.
MANILA, YAP, ILOILO, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	PRINZ WALDEMAR, Capt. H. Bremer.	(6,100)	SATURDAY, 28th Dec., at 9 a.m.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ WALDEMAR, Capt. H. Bremer.	(6,100)	TUESDAY, 10th Dec.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	BORNEO, Capt. F. Sembill.		About Middle of January.

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PHILIPPINES STEAMSHIP Co.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
SAFRO	4,000	F. E. Cross	Manila, Mangrove, Holo & Cebu	SATURDAY, Dec. 7, at 4 p.m.
RUBI	4,000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangrove, Holo & Cebu	TUESDAY, Dec. 17, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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(Under Mail Contract with the Austrian Government).
MONTHLY FAST DIRECT SERVICE TO TRIESTE,
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID.

Accelerated Train Service from Trieste to Paris, London and Berlin.
S.S. AFRICA, 8800 tons, will leave as above on 19th December, at 5 p.m.
S.S. KORMER, 9900 tons, will leave as above on 19th January, at 5 p.m.
Cheap rates, Hongkong-Trieste, Venice £50 1st class, £28 2nd class & £13 3rd class.
Superior accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class and Cabin passengers. No extra, no tips, no inside Cabins, excellent cuisine, Doctor, Laundry, Wireless Telegraphy.

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S.S. AFRICA, 8800 tons, will leave as above on 5th December, at Daylight.
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Cheap rates Hongkong-Shanghai £6 1st class, £4 2nd class and £2 3rd class.

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S.S. PERIA, 15500 tons, will leave for TRIESTE, Fiume and Venice, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, about 31st December.
S.S. VORWAERTS, 15000 tons, will leave as above about 1st Feb., 1913.

TO KORE.

S.S. VORWAERTS, 12,900 tons, will leave as above and to Yokohama via Shanghai about 30th December.

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Superior accommodation for Saloon Class Passengers.

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Hongkong, January 5, 1912.

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HIGHEST-Class, fastest and most luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having splendid accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light, Excellent Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
HAITAN	Capt. J. S. Roach	TUESDAY, 10th Dec., at 11 A.M.
HAITANG	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	FRIDAY, 13th Dec., at 11 A.M.
HAICHING	Capt. W. C. Passmore	TUESDAY, 17th Dec., at 11 A.M.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 8 Days)

STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
HAIMUN	Capt. J. W. Evans	SUNDAY, 8th Dec., at 10 A.M.
		WEDNESDAY, 11th Dec., at 11 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at, and depart from the Company's Wharf near Blake Pier.

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THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE.

TO AUSTRALIA, via MANILA.

MAIL SCHEDULE

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
EMPIRE		Dec. 13th, at Noon.
ST. ALBANS	Dec. 13.	Jan. 4th, at Noon.

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried. For further particulars, apply to

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Hongkong, November 2, 1912.

NOTICE.

RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET.

The Steamers of the RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET calling at Hongkong once a month both ways, Homeward and Outward, will accept cargo and passengers for the ports they have to call at on the way, according to the schedule as follows:

HOMEWARD BOUND steamers for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Djibouti, Djeddah, Hodeidah, Port Said, Constantinople, Odessa.

OUTWARD BOUND steamers for Nagasaki and Vladivostok.

The Hongkong Agency of the R. V. F. will also accept cargo and passengers through Bills of Lading for all Black and Azov Sea Ports with transshipment at Odessa, and for Hakodate and all ports of Tartarian Strait and Kamchatka, with transshipment at Vladivostok.

Cargo for all European Ports not mentioned in the steamers schedule would not be accepted by this Agency.

The S.S. "VLADIMIR," 5250 R.T., Commander Kamichansky, bound for Nagasaki and Vladivostok is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the 16th December.

The S.S. "KORSEK," 6400 R.T., Commander Padalka, Homeward bound, is expected to arrive in Hongkong about 13th day of December, 1912.

The S.S. "EKATERINOSLAV," 6581 R.T., Commander Tidman, Homeward bound, is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the beginning of January, 1913.

For Freight, Passage and further particulars, apply to

Capt. D. A. LUKHMANOFF,
AGENT.

Room 11, 12th and 14, Third Floor.

Telephone 1274

Hongkong, October 26, 1912.

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Gregory Apsar having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 1 p.m. of the 7th inst., will be landed as Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside. Such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, December 5, 1912.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship Apsar having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharves and Godowns Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where such consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, 10th inst.

Goods not cleared before the 12th December, will be subject to rent.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co's representatives as an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, December 5, 1912.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship Japan having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra storage Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns Company, Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, December 4, 1912.

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